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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Examiner: K. Cuneo

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For: **TIP STRUCTURES** 

Asst. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request an extension of time in which to respond to the Final Office Action mailed September 15, 2000. The extended period expires on February 15, 2001.

A check in the amount of \$390.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for this extension of time. If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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"Express Mail" mailing label number: EL 638 835 111 US Date of Deposit: February 15, 2001 I hereby certify that I am causing this paper or fee to be deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service on the date indicated above and that this paper or fee has been addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

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